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### COCKTAIL PARTY

THURSDAY, June 26 -- Clubrooms, 1475 Broadway  
5:30 to 7:30 PM -- Members: \$1; Guests: \$1.50  
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### INSIDE REPORT ON KOJE ISLAND

by

DOROTHY BRANDON

Correspondent, the New York Herald Tribune  
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Here's an OPC exclusive! -- a first-person, uncensored report on the controversial United Nations prison camp on Kojé Island. Dorothy Brandon, Herald Tribune reporter-correspondent (and a grandmother to WHITEHAW REID's new son, as of June 18!), returned recently from the Far East. There she visited Kojé Island, investigated POW status and covered the camp just before and current with the sensational developments which resulted in the demotion of the two general officers.

Mrs. Brandon is an expert newswoman who enjoys a unique distinction; some years ago she served as news editor of a royal newspaper -- the Bangkok Daily Mail, then owned by the King of Siam! This is an outstanding pre-summer OPC event. Don't miss it!

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Thursday, July 10 -- That's THURSDAY, JULY 10! Check the date on your calendar! On this day the Club has been invited for a special inspection of Republic Aviation's jet-plane factory at Farmingdale, L.I. In fact, Republic Aviation has invited the Club to spend the day. Busses will take Members to Long Island, where they will see how new Thunderjets are manufactured; later, they will be guests of the firm for luncheon and swimming, sunning, refreshments, etc., at a private beach offered by Republic.....This will be a genuine OPC EXCLUSIVE -- available to no similar group! LET US KNOW NOW IF YOU CAN ATTEND.

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Having both TV and newspaper members, OPC is in a special position to argue out the issue now wracking press profession in the USA: Shall TV cameras be allowed to report press conferences?

The issue came to a head at Ike's Abilene press conference June 5, where CBS made a point of free and unhindered coverage by installing its equipment in the Plaza theater and assigning DAVE SCHOENBRUN to the narration, then waiting to see if it would be thrown out. It wasn't, but a heated controversy has followed.

CBS' ED MURROW has been quoted in the press as saying he is not sure about the wisdom of TV coverage of press conferences.

Newspaper columnists who favor "Washington Rules" (strict credentials, off-the-record privileges, no one allowed to leave until the end, etc.) are vehemently against.

N.Y. Daily News' John O'Donnell protested that at Abilene a "mood of melancholy defeatism" made it impossible for a reporter to ask a question, get an answer and press his question when the answer didn't meet the query. Bursts of applause, needed by TV and radio, he complained, turned working press into a band of "unpaid actors" in TV.

In The Christian Science Monitor, Richard L. Strout commented: "Certainly TV has come to stay, but nobody can argue that it doesn't knock old-fashioned press conferences into a cocked hat.

"In the first place, it takes considerable poise for a reporter to enter the spotlight of TV and radio and blurt out a complicated question in a big crowd. If he is trying to ask a hostile "Taft" question of Eisenhower or an "Eisenhower" question of Taft, it makes it doubly hard if the background audience is vocally sympathetic to the man being interviewed. \*\*\*\*\* Having a claque at a press conference creates an atmosphere inimical to sound judgment and steady reporting \*\*\*\*\* Asking reporters to stand up and identify themselves imposes another kind of restraint, or else encourages crackpots and publicity seekers \*\*\*\*\* A single question often produces as much fog as it dispels."

Any comments? -- (Ed.)

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The Jones Trio, CHARLIE and GENE, NBC-TV's twin cameramen-correspondent team (and Gene's wife Natalie) have just returned from a four month roving assignment overseas, primarily in the Middle East. After covering critical hotspots in lower Europe and Egypt they finished their coverage with an exclusive story on the Russian-Turkish frontier, then flew to Italy where in Naples after many days of persistent requests, they turned their sound camera on Lucky Luciano for the first TV or radio interview he has ever given. Back home, they went to Atlantic City to receive the National Headliners first award for TV news correspondence for the twin's world scoop on the Vogeler interview in Vienna last year. Now they are in N.Y., awaiting reassignment - "possibly a special political coverage."

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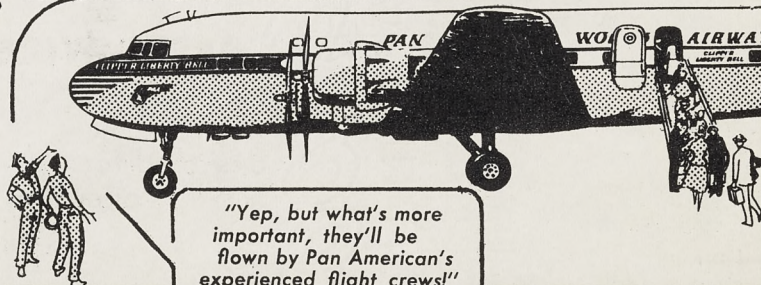
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NEW MEMBERS

JOHN BARKHAM, chairman of the Admissions Committee, announces the election to membership in the OPC of the following candidates:

ACTIVE

CHARLES H. BROWN, Newsweek  
MARY SCOVILLE DU BREUIL, Free-lance  
AUSTIN GOODRICH, Columbia Broadcasting System  
KENNETH LARRY LOWENSTEIN, Benton & Bowles

GUEST

HENRY M. PACHTER, correspondent, Deutsche Zeitung

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: : : NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION : : :  
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ACTIVE: Sam Pope Brewer, Chief South American correspondent, N.Y. Times.  
N.Y. Herald Tribune, European Edition, Jan.-Sept. 1936; Paris. Chicago  
Tribune foreign service, Sept. 1936 - Jan. 1945, London, Spain, Balkans,  
South America. Proposed by HERBERT L. MATTHEWS; seconded by OTTO TOLISCHUS.

Omitted in error last week from the list of Committee Chairman appointments announced by President WILLIAM P. GRAY: Chairman of the Washington Liaison Committee, RUTH COWAN; Chairman of the Foreign Journalists Liaison Committee TOM MALLEY. Both are reappointments.

A complete list of all Club committee members will be announced shortly.

!!!PLEASE NOTIFY THE CLUB OFFICE IF YOU HAVE CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS!!!

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In compiling a chronology of the Korean War, the UN Command Public Information Office has made up a list of war casualties of special interest to OPC members.

"Since the beginning of the war in Korea," it says, "three Allied war correspondents have been captured by the Communists, eight correspondents have been killed in action, and nine correspondents have been killed in plane crashes en route to Korea, making a total of 20 casualties among foreign correspondents accredited to the UN Command. Nine additional correspondents were seriously wounded in the Korean conflict."

The list follows:

Killed in action: William Moore, AP; Wilson Fielder, Time; Christopher Buckley, London Daily Telegraph; Jean Marie de Premonville, Agence France Presse; Ian Morrison, London Times; Derek Percy, AAP-Reuters; Ray Richards, Hearst Newspapers; Ernie Peeler, Pacific Stars and Stripes.

Killed in plane crashes: Albert Hinton, Norfolk Journal and Guide; Stephen Simmons, Picture Post; Maximilien Philonenko, Agence France Presse; James O. Supple, Chicago Sun-Times; William Welsh, American Red Cross; Frank Emery, INS; Ken Inouye, International News Photos; Charles Rosecrans, International News Photos; Wm. H. Graham, N.Y. Journal of Commerce.

Prisoners of war: Maurice Chanteloup, Agence France Presse; Philip Deane, London Observer; Frank Noel, AP.



I	I	PARIS (Special to the <u>Bulletin</u> by CURT L. HEYMANN) - Much to
I	I	the regret of the Paris press corps, Elias A. McQuaid, Press
I	I	Attache at the U.S. Embassy for the last four years, is returning
I	I	to Washington for reassignment. At a farewell luncheon of the
I	I	Anglo-American Press Club he thanked those who had called him a
I	I	"milieu bien informe" and forgave all who had referred to him as
an "unidentified source".		

EGBERT WHITE, director of the Far East Regional Production Center with HQ in Manila, passing through town on a round-the-world consultation mission for the USIS.; Flying to North Africa, Egypt, the Middle and Far East before returning to his post in the Philippines early in July.

Raymond Marcellin, Minister of Information won a silver cup during "Courtesy Week", aimed at reviving traditional French courtesy. Receiving the press, he announced he had received a large pile of congratulatory letters, each requesting some tangible proof of his reputed courtesy by granting a special favor!

We are mourning the untimely death of Eugene Jolas, author, literary critic and poet, who died at the age of 59. Though recently not a working newsman, he belonged to the fold. Like his widow, he worked in OWI during the war and issued the first information sheet on German soil when Aachen fell. He covered in his last years the Paris scene which he had known so intimately.

Applauding a special performance of Shostakovitch's "Lady Macbeth of Mzensk" (banned behind the Iron Curtain but performed here under auspices of the Congress for Cultural Freedom): John Roderick of AP; Jack Lee, INS; Olin Downes, N.Y. Times; Janet Flanner, the New Yorker's "Genet"; BERN REDMONT; CURT HEYMANN; and Howard Katzander, just back from Belgrade. His wife, Shirley Katzander, handled with skill month-long press relations for the 20th Century Masterpieces festival.....Eight French economic and financial writers off to USA on a MSA "junket" to see how American newspapers spread the "spirit of productivity"..... According to our favorite American fashion reporter here, bathing suits this season are "tight fitting and with few exceptions respectable".....

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TOKYO (Special to the Bulletin by HAZEL SHORE) - Today is moving day for all press associations and news bureaus which have called Radio Tokyo "home" since the beginning of the Occupation of Japan. Associated Press, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times, North American Newspaper Alliance and Pan Asia Newspaper Alliance are moving to the Asahi Building; United Press, Chicago Daily News, Chicago Tribune are moving to the Mainichi Building; and INS, International News Photos and N.Y.Herald Tribune are moving to the Yomiuri Building. Gen. Mark Clark's hdqts. is moving from the fabulous Dai Ichi Bldg. to the War Ministry. The peace treaty is really breaking up that Old gang of Ours!

THURSDAY IS OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB DAY

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OPINION HOW YOU SAY THIS  
IN GERMAN - BUT IN AMERICA  
EVERYBODY ALWAYS SAYS -

**DOLLAR FOR DOLLAR YOU  
CAN'T BEAT A PONTIAC!**



Major "BILL" OMEROD, head of the Brit. Info. Service in N.Y. is in Europe until Sept..... NORBERT MUHLEN has just polished off "Two New Worlds in Germany" to be published in October by Regnery, Chicago.....MARJORIE YOUNG was in NY with husband, JIMMY, associate editor of Anerson, S.C. Daily Mail and presented OPC with advance copy of her book, "Decorating for Joyful Occasions" scheduled for Oct. 1 issue by Grosset & Dunlap.....MARTY SHERIDAN has story on first auto trip across U.S. in June True and another on the French Islands St. Pierre-Miquelon in June Travel.....FRANK GIBNEY, former Tokyo chief of Time and Life, now an editor of Time, participated in America's Town Meeting telecast, June 15 on subject, "How Do We Fare in the Cold War?" with past President JOHN DALY moderating.....RALPH CONISTON, of Agence France Presse off to Physicians Hospital in Queens for surgery; expects to be there about three weeks.

Sublet: Superb, enormous room apt. 24x20. Baronial kitchenette, foyer, dressing room; cool all summer. House well run. Available for lease on Nov. 15. BETTY WASON, 3 East 76 St., TR 9-2561.

JAMES A. LINEN, Time publisher, made NY headlines with charge that Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy is sending letters to Time advertisers asking them to withdraw their advertising because of a "smear campaign" he charges the magazine is conducting against him. But so far, LINEN says, advertisers aren't heeding the Senator.....Norman Thomas, back from Asia, told NY Socialists June 17: "In Hongkong I got from Chinese refugees overwhelming and pitiful confirmation of the kind of stories which EDWARD HUNTER has told in his book, "Brain Washing in Red China".....GRACE CORSON in town from Nantucket to cover fashion shows for King Features. Stopping at Hotel Gotham.....WILFRED MAY invaded Philadelphia for eight TV and radio performances including a University of Penna. forum on "Can We Do Business with Stalin?".....ANNE O'HARE McCORMICK received an honorary Doctor of Laws at Manhattan College last week..... ELLISEVA SAYERS, combining holiday and business leaves June 23 for Dennis, Mass. to handle publicity for Richard Aldrich's three theaters; those interested in covering can contact her at Cape Playhouse.

SANFORD GRIFFITH sends thanks to OPC members who worked with him on poster exhibit for the American Committee for Paix and Libert  - especially HELEN ZOTOS. Among the good OPC turnout at the exhibit were President BILL GRAY, JOE WURZEL, B. MATHIEU and LARRY BLOCHMAN. The occasion was brightened by the latter's loan of his recipe for OPC punch. SANDY says special thanks are also due JOSA RUFFNER and Mrs. Grace Liebman for Figl lunch arrangements.



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Richard Applegate, UP correspondent assigned to Kojima Island reports to Editor & Publisher that covering events on "this nervous island" is "pretty much a matter of luck." Reporters take the "forty cent tour of Kojima-do", clambering aboard a weapons carrier provided by PIO for the dusty circuit of the island's 17 prisoner compounds about once every two hours. Frequently, Applegate says, newsmen just happen to drive by a spot where something - such as an attempted escape or the rushing of a UN guard - has happened only a few minutes before.

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WORLD FEDERALISM VS. ) Russia can be defeated without going to war. That was the joint con-  
ATLANTIC UNION DEBATE) tention of Norman Cousins, editor of The Saturday Review and Clarence  
FEATURES OPC LUNCHEON) K. Streit, editor of Freedom & Union, in a tandem speech before the  
OPC on June 12 at Toot Shor's.

Cousins outlined Soviet global political strategy, pointed out that the US was losing in the war of ideas, and said that our only hope was in the creation of a world government with powers adequate to enforce disarmament in all nations.

Streit concurred in the evaluation of US standing with Russia but contended that peace could be brought about by Atlantic Union under which all democracies bordering on the Atlantic would be brought under a common government. Their discussion boiled down to a contention by Cousins that the free world can win without war by federating all nations at once regardless of their form of government and a proposal by Streit that a beginning be made with Atlantic Pact sponsors through the creation of a civil authority to control the military.

Questions from the floor showed that many OPCers were dubious about both speakers' contention that governments could be readily welded together-whether on a complete global or Atlantic community basis. Subsequent discussion brought out such hurdles as strong nationalism and varying standards of government concepts. Both Cousins and Streit stoutly stood their ground, contending that the mergers they advocated could be brought about. (Reported for the Bulletin by RUSS ANDERSON)

President BILL GRAY officiated. Door prize "From Versailles to the New Deal" by Harold U. Faulkner, Yale University Press was won by NORWOOD ALLMAN.

Some of the OPCers spotted around the room were LARRY LESUEUR, ELIZABETH FAGG, Past President LOUIS LOCHNER, JERRY HANNIFIN, ADELAIDE KERR, PAULINE FREDERICK, CHARLES GILLETTE, AL CROCKETT and LEE PITT, visiting from the Houston Press.

Anyone know the whereabouts--mailing address--of the following members, whose Bulletins have been coming back undelivered? If so, please notify the Executive Secretary.

HARRY PRICE  
PERCY KNAUTH  
PHIL GUSTAFSON

JOSEPH ROSAPEPE, formerly AP and Journal of Commerce correspondent in Rome, has joined the public relations firm of Dudley, Anderson and Yutzy.....Beach Conger, travel editor of the N.Y. Herald Tribune installed as president NY Travel Writers Association.....KATHRYN CRAVENS off for Hawaii on business-pleasure trip accompanied by her niece Anita Priest, and June Aulick as press representative.....GERALDINE FITCH on WJZ Round-Table of the Air, June 23.

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